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Attorney Docket No.	1875.3660001
First Inventor	Miguel PEETERS et al.
Title	Method Of And System For Optimizing The Capacity Of A Digital Communication System In Presence Of Both Internal And External Noise
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS
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See 37 CFR 1.27.
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 - Claim(s)
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4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 1]
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6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

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Inventors: PEETERS *et al.*
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2. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3);
3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

**Method Of And System For Optimizing The Capacity Of A Digital
Communication System In Presence Of Both Internal And External Noise**

and naming as inventors:

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the application consisting of:

1. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
2. A specification containing:
 - i. 15 pages of description prior to the claims;
 - ii. 8 pages of claims (26 claims);
 - iii. a one (1) page abstract;
3. 1 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1);
4. Preliminary Amendment; and
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